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Chief of Mission, Frankfurt
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1. Before a resident alien can practice medicine in Belgium he must be approved by the following governmental agencies:
 - a. the Direction Generale de l'Enseignement des Sciences of the Ministry of Public Instruction, 135 rue de la Loi, Brussels, which decides whether the applicant's training at foreign universities is equivalent to the training he would have received if he had been trained at a Belgian medical school. If not, the applicant may be required to take additional training in Belgium.
 - b. the Police des Etrangers, who must determine that the applicant has no criminal medical record, has performed no illegal abortions, etc.
 - c. the Ministry of Economic Affairs, which must testify to the economic consequences of the application, i.e., that acceptance of the resident alien will not displace a similarly-qualified Belgian.
2. If the applicant is approved by these agencies he is issued a carte professionnelle, which is a work permit for professional workers. Nothing equivalent to the state medical examination is required.
3. For Frankfurt [] requested [] 2 July 1953 to ascertain these facts relative to the professional career of CARESTA/2.

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